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they still do, but there's an attitude up there in Senator Tyson's area that we should all discuss this with Norfolk. specifically, it's some language here that says I'm disappointed that you took a position supportive of LB 384 before having discussions with Norfolk. I don't represent Norfolk and I don't think but one senator in here does, but their attitude that we've got to talk to Norfolk before we do anything, I can't quite figure this out. And it goes on to say that when rural areas are doing everything possible to sustain and grow their energy costs are a critical element in the economies, competitiveness of attracting new business. Folks up in Norfolk, we don't even have natural gas out there. We're just trying to get it. And I, like I said, I've gotten a lot of correspondence from Norfolk and I don't appreciate most of it because it's based on lack of understanding what's in the bill. And why they came about with this attitude I don't know, but we, you know, this...there's still things says prohibit them from ever doing anything. All it does is says folks like you have to follow a process, and I think Norfolk might be one of those reasons that, you know, we're concerned with this. And I do want to thank people for working on this. Senator Tyson says, well, we need to bracket this thing and look at it. Folks, we spent weeks and months on this bill. And I commend Professor Landis over there, Senator Landis. If you listen to him, he's helped with the process. We've gotten these things done. If you're taking notes it's...I can imagine what his lectures are like, you take notes and hear the facts and what you need to study for the tests and so on, the reasons and he supporting the bill. And I agree there are some things that need to be worked out on this, but it doesn't require a bracket motion to do it. We need to keep this in the process here and we can work on this language on the amendment. Granted, most of it is not new, it's simply restatement of current condemnation facts and so on and rearranging things within the statutes. Raikes made some points about rates and so on and will they pipe. If we had gas out there now or if we pass this bill will I think someone will, that's my pipe the area? best...using my best intuition, that someone is going to pipe the area out there and the reason we really need this is that we can spread that cost. If they don't, somebody, if a company doesn't come in there and say we're going to pipe this it would